

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP AMENDMENT</b>
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Takashi YAMAMOTO et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1796
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For: DRYING SHRINKAGE-REDUCING	)	
AGENT	)	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated January 15, 2008,  
Applicants submit herewith an Information Disclosure Statement and the following  
Amendment and Response.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which  
begins on page 2 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this Response.